Dear Colleagues,

Please note the following updates in the Division of Student Affairs:

**Food Security**

In November the Food Pantry distributed 15 Supermarket gift-cards to our Childcare/ FLEX students and 263 families received meals through the Food Pantry services.

**Counseling:**

We know that these past months have been challenging and difficult. The uncertainty has only added to the many responsibilities and complex lives our students lead. Through the support of CARES monies, we are doing the following for our students:

- A more **INTRUSIVE OUTREACH** approach focusing on students in: Athletics, College Discovery, Veterans Affairs, Center for Workforce and Economic Development, Career Services, CUNY EDGE, Student Government/Clubs & Organizations, Men’s Resource Center, the Advisement Academies, ASAP, ESL, CLIP, and KELI
- Increased Mental Health **SCREENINGS**
- Mental Health **CHECK-IN HOURS**
- Extended **EVENING HOURS**
- Additional **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING** for our Counseling & Wellness staff
- Student **FOCUS GROUPS** to better learn what their needs are in these uncertain times
- **UPDATED TECHNOLOGY** to ensure our telehealth needs and systems are current and comprehensive

We are here to fully support our students. These initiatives are part of the foundation of services we provide including 1-on-1 personal counseling, emergency and crisis intervention, workshops, events, and student support groups.

**Scholarships**

We continue to disburse emergency funds to students who applied for these monies and we continue to distribute KBCC Foundation Grants. This Fall we have disbursed $52,656.74 from our Robin Hood Fund to 45 students and an additional $11,259 to 26 students from our KBCC Foundation Grants.

**Ceremonies**

Student Affairs coordinated the virtual Dean’s List Ceremony which can still be viewed on the KCC web and supported the Nursing Department in coordinating their Nursing Pinning Ceremony which was live streamed on December 17th.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday.